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FOIPA Request No.: 1415138-000  
Subject: LAWSON, LEWIS ARTHUR

Dear Mr. GREENWALD:

Records responsive to your request were previously processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Below you will find informational paragraphs relevant to your request. Please read each item carefully.

Enclosed are 108 pages of previously processed documents and a copy of the Explanation of Exemptions. This release is being provided to you at no charge.

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Sincerely,



David M. Hardy  
Section Chief,  
Record/Information  
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Information Management Division

Enclosure(s)

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### **SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552**

- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- (b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute (A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;
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- (b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information ( A ) could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, ( B ) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, ( C ) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, ( D ) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, ( E ) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or ( F ) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;
- (b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or
- (b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

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- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
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**Federalists Hear Former Pitt De-  
Larson Calls World Law  
Key to Crucial Issues**

By ARTHUR BRAGG  
Post-Gazette Staff Writer

The processes of law — on a world-wide scale as a solution to the world's varied problems was urged by a former University of Pittsburgh law school dean at last night's dinner of the United

World Federalists here.

Dr. Arthur Larson, now director of the Rule of Law Research Center at Duke University, told 400 Federalists in the Hilton Hotel that international law, "modernized and globalized," is a powerful weapon in man's struggle toward peace.

The role of law in attaining peace is a major theme of the World Federalists who urge its universal acceptance. Larson, in a pre-speech interview, noted that "international law is old and venerable, and most of the time works pretty smoothly."

He said that a recent study done by his 20-member center revealed a startling fact: "It is almost impossible to find instances where nations have failed to comply with international law."

Willingness of nations to agree on problems affecting health, disease, communications and the like could be expanded to take in war and boundary disputes, Larson suggested.

He pointed to another study by his center — one involving propaganda. The result was a set of written remedies the UN could employ to curb "one of the most dangerous threats to peace." Remedies ranged from a UN monitor of world-wide television to possible jamming of offender's wavelengths.

Turning to a more current problem, Larson said he was an early proponent of UN action in the Viet Nam crisis. "I even wrote a pamphlet, 'Do It Through the UN,'" he said.

He traced the UN's recent reluctance to involve itself in Viet Nam to failure of the United States to seek its help. "They've lost the will in the UN to become involved. They say, 'Why should you hand this thing to us now?'"

However," Larson observed, "I still believe in UN action. Better late than never, I say."



DR. ARTHUR LARSON  
Law can win the peace.

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~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~  
BY COURIER SERVICE

The Honorable  
The Secretary of Labor  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated February 5, 1954, in which you requested an investigation of Arthur Larson, whom you are considering for appointment as Under Secretary of Labor.

Please be advised that this investigation has been ordered and upon completion you will be furnished with a summary of the results of the inquiries made.

Sincerely yours,

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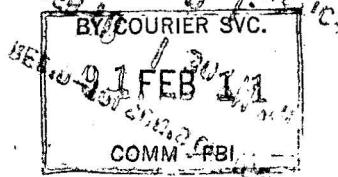
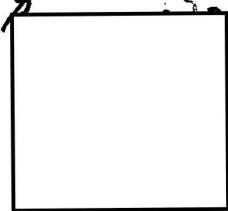
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Mr. Tolson  
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Sincerely yours,

*James F. Byrnes*  
Secretary of Labor

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James P. Mitchell

Secretary of Labor

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Larson, Arthur, law prof.; b. Sioux Falls, S.D., July 4, 1910;  
s. Lewis and Anna Bertha (Huseboe) L.; A.B., Augustana Coll., Sioux Falls,  
S.D., 1931; student U. of S.D. Law Sch., 1931-32; B.A. Jurisprudence  
(1st class honours, Jurisprudence, 1935), Oxford (England) Univ. (Rhodes  
scholar, 1932-35), 1935; M.A. Jurisp., 1938; [redacted]

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Wis. bar 1935 and practiced in Milwaukee with Quarles, Spence & Quarles,  
1935-39; asst. prof. of law, U. of Tenn. Law Sch., 1939-41; div. counsel  
indstl. materials div., O.P.A., Washington. 1941-44; acting price exec.,  
lumber br., 1944; chief, Scandinavian br., Foreign Economic Adminstrn.,  
1944-45; asso. prof. of law, Cornell Law Sch., 1945-48, prof. of law  
since 1948; consultant on corp. law to the N.Y. Law Revision Commn.  
since 1948; sometime lecturer on corporate practice. Practising Law  
Inst., New York. Gleason lecturer (nat. lectureship on workmen's compensation),  
1950. Mem. Am. Law Inst. (com. on continuing legal edn.), Oxford Union  
Soc. (treas., 1934, librarian, 1935), Phi Delta Phi, Ordes of Coif. Lutheran.  
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1947; Towards World Prosperity (with [redacted] et al), 1947; The Law of  
Workmen's Compensation and Social Legislation, 1951.

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Currently Mr. Larson is the Dean of the University of Pittsburgh  
Law School in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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IS A LONGTIME ACQUAINTANCE OF [redacted]

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TITLE ARTHUR LARSON		CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY	

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#### SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ARTHUR LARSON employed first of June, 1953, to date as Dean, School of Law, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pa. Associates advised they consider LARSON to be an unquestionably loyal American of good character and reputation, as well as intelligent and capable. Credit satisfactory except for a mechanics lien for \$84.13 placed by Public Utility, 12/19/51. No criminal record located identifiable with LARSON or his wife.

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REFERENCES: Bureau teletype to Albany and Pittsburgh, 2/8/54. Knoxville teletype to Indianapolis and WFO, 2/10/54.

DETAILS: The investigation at the Credit Bureau, Inc., Pittsburgh, was conducted by SA [redacted] at the Allegheny County Detective Bureau by SA [redacted] and the remainder of the investigation was conducted by the reporting agent.

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#### EMPLOYMENT

[redacted] School of Law, University of Pittsburgh, Fifth Avenue and Bigelow Boulevard, Pittsburgh, advised that ARTHUR LARSON has been the Dean of the School of Law since the first of June, 1953. She stated that

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he had come to the University of Pittsburgh from Cornell University, and that he is married and has two minor children attending school at Pittsburgh.

[redacted] continued by saying that she considers LARSON to be an unquestionably loyal American of good character and reputation whose associates are unknown. She observed that she considers LARSON to be unassuming, agreeable, and an intelligent person of very great capabilities, and added that she knows of no reason why she should not recommend him for a position of trust. [redacted] suggested that [redacted]

[redacted] University of Pittsburgh, be contacted.

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[redacted] University of Pittsburgh, Fifth Avenue and Bigelow Boulevard, Pittsburgh, Pa., advised that he has known LARSON for approximately 15 months, having made the original contacts with LARSON at Cornell University relative to securing his services for the University of Pittsburgh. He stated that from what he ascertained regarding LARSON at Cornell University and from his own observation, he considers LARSON to be an unquestionably loyal American of very good character and reputation as well as a cultured, intelligent, honest gentleman of very great capabilities. He advised that he does not know LARSON's associates or any other individual at Pittsburgh who might know him well.

[redacted] School of Law, University of Pittsburgh, Fifth Avenue and Bigelow Boulevard, Pittsburgh, Pa., advised that he has known LARSON for approximately one year, and had previously heard LARSON spoken of highly as a legal scholar and teacher. He stated that he considers LARSON to be an unquestionably loyal American of very good character and reputation whose associates are unknown. He recommended LARSON for any position of trust and responsibility. [redacted] informed that LARSON has resided at the King Edward Apartments, Pittsburgh, since he came to Pittsburgh in the first of June, 1953.

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#### NEIGHBORHOOD

[redacted] King Edward Apartments, 4601 Bayard Street, Pittsburgh, advised that ARTHUR LARSON had rented an apartment at the King Edward Apartments as of the first of May, 1953, and had moved not too long thereafter. He

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further advised that he considers LARSON and his wife, who reside on the first floor [redacted] to be unquestionably loyal Americans of very good character and reputation. He stated that LARSON's children, while minors, are very well behaved which speaks well for their parental training. He concluded by saying that he knows nothing of an unfavorable nature regarding LARSON, and that inasmuch as there is only one other tenant on the first floor, with whom the LARSONS are seemingly not acquainted, he knows of no one who might know the LARSONS.

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#### CREDIT

The files of the Credit Bureau, Inc., 635 Smithfield Street, Pittsburgh, reveal a satisfactory credit rating for ARTHUR LARSON in a report dated June 23, 1953, made by the Credit Bureau of Ithaca, Inc., Ithaca, New York, except for a mechanics lien for \$84.13, which was placed December 19, 1951, by a public utility and which was renewed in February (1953). No other details available.

#### CRIMINAL

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TITLE <b>ARTHUR LARSON</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SPECIAL INQUIRY</b>	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: **[REDACTED]** Indiana University Night Law School, Indianapolis, Indiana, recommends LARSON favorably as to character, reputation, ability and loyalty.

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REFERENCE: Knoxville teletype to Indianapolis and Washington Field dated February 10, 1954.

DETAILS: **[REDACTED]** Indiana University Night Law School, Indianapolis, Indiana, advised he became acquainted with Mr. ARTHUR LARSON about September, 1939 at which time LARSON was appointed to the faculty of the Law School at the University of Tennessee. **[REDACTED]** stated that he was **[REDACTED]** at the University of Tennessee at that time. He stated that Mr. LARSON continued on the faculty for about two years at which time he left to accept another position.

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He stated that he became well-acquainted with Mr. LARSON during this time and has been in personal contact with him about once a year since then and has corresponded with him frequently over the past few years. He stated that he found Mr. LARSON to be a very able teacher and that LARSON was of excellent character and reputation. He stated in his opinion Mr. LARSON was a brilliant man with a great deal of ability. He further stated that from his association with LARSON he would state the latter was a loyal American citizen, and he would not hesitate to recommend Mr. LARSON for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.

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TITLE		CHARACTER OF CASE	
ARTHUR LARSON Aka: Lewis Arthur Larson		SPECIAL INQUIRY	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** LARSON employed Assistant Professor of Law, University of Tennessee College of Law, Knoxville, 9/1/39 to 9/1/41, resigning to go with OPA. Two members of U-T Law School faculty recall applicant favorably and endorse him without reservation for responsible government position, stating that he is a highly competent man in his field, possesses excellent character and reputation, has sound legal background and is believed to be 100% loyal to the U. S. Two former neighbors on Ailsie Drive recall nothing derogatory concerning Mr. or Mrs. LARSON. Records of University checked, background data obtained, nothing unfavorable. Credit Bureau files, Knoxville, reveal LARSON left town without paying \$1.55 gas bill; credit standing otherwise good. No arrest record for LARSON or wife in files of Knoxville Police Department.

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**REFERENCES:** Bureau teletype to Knoxville dated 2/8/54.  
Knoxville teletype to Indianapolis and Washington Field dated 2/10/54.  
Milwaukee teletype to Knoxville dated 2/15/54.

## EMPLOYMENT

University of Tennessee, produced the file concerning Professor Arthur Larson which reflects that he was employed as Assistant Professor of Law at the University of Tennessee College of Law at Knoxville from 9/1/39 to 9/1/41 at an entering salary of \$3,250.00 per annum. He resigned in good standing, effective on the latter date, in order to accept a position as Section Chief Attorney with the Office of Price Administration and Civilian Supply, Washington, D.C.

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In a personal history statement executed by Mr. LARSON at the time he entered on duty at the University of Tennessee College of Law, his birth data was given as 7/4/10 at Sioux Falls, South Dakota. His father was identified as Judge LEWIS LARSON, County Court House, Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Under the heading of education, Mr. LARSON stated he had attended the public schools of Sioux Falls from 1915 to 1923 and the Washington High School of Sioux Falls from 1923 to 1927 when he was graduated. Thereafter he was enrolled at Augustana College, Sioux Falls, from 1927 to 1931, receiving a BA Degree from that institution in 1931. He then attended the University of South Dakota Law School in 1931-32, and subsequently re-entered Augustana College, also in 1932.

It further appeared from the foregoing statement that Mr. LARSON was the recipient of a Rhodes scholarship and studied at Oxford University, in England from 1932 to 1935, where the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Jurisprudence was conferred upon him in 1935. "Who's Who in America" reflects that Mr. LARSON was married on 7/30/35 [redacted]. Acquaintances at the University of Tennessee, named below, expressed the belief that [redacted] was a native of England and had formerly appeared on the London stage, but did not know whether her marriage to Mr. LARSON took place in England or in the United States.

It appeared from the University's records, as produced by [redacted] that, following his graduation from Oxford and prior to accepting the teaching position with the University of Tennessee, Mr. LARSON had engaged in the practice of law as an associate of the firm of Quarles, Spence and Quarles, attorneys, 826 North Broadway, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The files of the Knoxville Retail Credit Association indicate that he resided before moving to Knoxville at 4433 North Morris Boulevard, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. At the time he executed above personal history statement, he indicated that he was married and had one child. His Knoxville residence address as of September, 1939 was given as 932 South 17th Street, Knoxville, while his address in 1940 was listed as RFD #10, Ailsie Drive, Knoxville. He listed membership in the Phi Delta Phi Law Fraternity, the Lutheran Church and the Disciples of Christ. His hobbies were shown as guitar playing and singing.

[redacted] College of Law, University of Tennessee, who was a Professor of Law at the time Mr. LARSON was teaching at the University of Tennessee, stated that he knows LARSON very well, has maintained contact with him over the past 12 or 13 years, sees him periodically at meetings of the Association of American Law Schools or the American Bar Association, and has always regarded LARSON as an extremely able man in his field and

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as one whose character, reputation, loyalty and associations are absolutely above reproach. [redacted] further advised that he often wished he could have persuaded Mr. LARSON to return to the University of Tennessee, as he felt he would add great ability and prestige to any Law School faculty in America. He pointed out that Mr. LARSON published, about two years ago, a two-volume text book on the Law of Workmen's Compensation which is regarded as an authoritative reference book on this field of the law, in which field Mr. LARSON has specialized.

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[redacted] consulted a copy of the Teachers Directory of the Association of American Law Schools, containing biographical sketches of law professors belonging to that Association, and advised that Mr. LARSON was also the co-author of "Towards World Prosperity", published by Harpers in 1947, was co-author with one Stevens of "Cases on Corporations", a text book, and was also co-author in 1953 of "Economic Security", research papers for the American Assembly. Above biographical sketch further indicated that LARSON was the recipient of a Fulbright Advanced Research Award for study at the London School of Economics in 1952, and that he is presently Dean of the College of Law at the University of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

From the personal standpoint, [redacted] described LARSON as a handsome, youthful-appearing man of attractive but dignified personality who enjoyed singing and playing the guitar and violin. He recalled that [redacted] enjoyed participating in amateur theatricals and reportedly appeared professionally on the London stage at one time. He also recalled visiting in the LARSONS' home in Knoxville, both when they resided on South 17th Street and when they lived on Ailsie Drive, and stated that they are a refined and happily married couple with two children, the youngest of which was born in Knoxville. While in Knoxville, [redacted] stated Mr. LARSON had suffered some discomfiture from a ruptured disc in his vertebra but believes that this condition has since healed and that he is now in good general physical condition.

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Continuing, [redacted] advised that, in his opinion, Mr. LARSON possesses sound ideas and conservative concepts of the law and government, has had excellent training and experience in his chosen field, is ably suited for a highly responsible position in the Government service and is entitled to an unqualified recommendation for the position involved.

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[redacted] University of Tennessee College of Law, recalled Mr. LARSON favorably as a former member of the faculty and stated that, to her knowledge, he was a perfect gentleman in all respects, enjoyed a good reputation, was well liked by other professors and students, maintained desirable associations, exhibited excellent traits of character and gave no cause to question his absolute loyalty to the United States.

[redacted] University of Tennessee College of Law, advised that, other than [redacted] he is the only present member of the law school faculty who was teaching here at the time of Mr. LARSON's employment at the University of Tennessee. He recalled LARSON favorably and furnished substantially the same facts as related by [redacted]

[redacted] although [redacted] stated he has not seen Mr. LARSON since he left Knoxville in 1941. In addition, however, [redacted] advised that LARSON lived two houses from him [redacted] in 1940-41 and thus he was closely associated with Mr. and Mrs. LARSON as neighbors as well as being associated professionally with Mr. LARSON at the University. He stated that he visited frequently in their home and, at the time the LARSON's youngest child was born, he and his wife kept the LARSON's other child while Mrs. LARSON was in the hospital.

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[redacted] commented favorably upon Mr. LARSON's ability, b6 both as a lawyer and as a teacher of the law, stated that he had always found his ideas to be sound and conservative, recommended Mr. LARSON without reservation insofar as character, reputation, and associations are concerned, described him as "100% American" as to loyalty and patriotism, and knew of no reason why LARSON should not be well qualified from every standpoint for a position of trust and responsibility in the Government service.

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#### NEIGHBORHOODS

Investigation in the vicinity of 932 South 17th Street revealed that this block has been taken over by fraternity houses. A check of the City Directories reflects that the occupants of the house at 932 South 17th immediately preceding Mr. LARSON, and those occupying it immediately following his removal therefrom, are no longer residing in Knoxville. The following former residents of the same block, who lived there at the time of the LARSONS' tenancy at 932 South 17th, were unable to recall the LARSON family: [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that he formerly resided with his father, who was [redacted] of the University of Tennessee, at [redacted] and recalled Professor and Mrs. LARSON as former residents of the same street in approximately 1940-41. He stated that his father, now deceased, was acquainted with Mr. LARSON and regarded him highly. [redacted] stated that, to his knowledge, Mr. and Mrs. LARSON were thoroughly desirable neighbors and enjoyed a good reputation in that community.

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[redacted] Knoxville Retail Credit Association, advised that her files in 1939-41 identified ARTHUR LARSON as Assistant Professor of Law at the University of Tennessee, residence - 932 South 17th Street and later Ailsie Drive, RFD #10, who came to Knoxville in the fall of 1939 from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he had resided at 4433 North Morris Boulevard. He established credit with four stores in Knoxville, all of which accounts were maintained satisfactorily. In January, 1941, however, the Knoxville Gas Company placed an unpaid bill for \$1.55 with an attorney for collection and, as of November, 1941, the Credit Bureau's file indicated the sum had not been paid. [redacted] speculated that this small bill probably had been overlooked by Mr. LARSON upon leaving Knoxville as she said his credit standing otherwise was very satisfactory. No other information appeared in the files of this agency.

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[redacted] Records Section, Knoxville Police b6  
Department, advised that no arrest records for individuals identifiable with b7C  
Mr. LARSON or his wife appear in the files of that department.

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TITLE		CHARACTER OF CASE	
ARTHUR LARSON		SPECIAL INQUIRY	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Applicant appointed associate professor of Law, Cornell University, November 1, 1945 and Professor of Law, April 30, 1948; applicant resigned July 1, 1953 to accept position as Dean of University of Pittsburgh Law School. Applicant wrote book on workmen's compensation law, 1952 and collaborated with Dean of Cornell Law School on book on Corporation Law. Considered outstanding scholar and professor by faculty and Administrative staff at Cornell University; also recommended for character, loyalty, reputation and associates. Neighbors and acquaintances consider reputable and loyal citizen, furnished no derogatory information. Position as Gleason lecturer and research consultant for New York State Law Revision Commission verified. Credit favorable, criminal negative.

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DETAILS:

AT ITHACA, NEW YORK

Educational History

[redacted]

Cornell University, made available applicant's record appearing in the Trustee's file on members of the Academic Staff at Cornell University and this record reflected that the applicant received his BA Degree from Augustana College in 1931. These records further reflected that the applicant went to England as a Rhodes scholar subsequent to his graduation from Augustana College and received a BA in Jurisprudence from Oxford University in 1935. Applicant received an MA Degree in Jurisprudence also from Oxford University in England in 1938.

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These records reflected that Mr. LARSON was a member of the Oxford Three Man International Debating Team while he was a student at Oxford University and was also Treasurer and Vice-President of the Oxford Union Society.

Employment

[redacted] advised that Mr. LARSON was appointed an Associate Professor of Law in the Cornell University Law School on November 1, 1945 for a term of three years. On April 30, 1948, Mr. LARSON was appointed Professor of Law, which position he held until his resignation from the Cornell University Law School on July 1, 1953.

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These records reflected that Mr. LARSON resigned his position as Professor Law at Cornell University Law School to accept a position as Dean of the University of Pittsburgh Law School at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

[redacted] Cornell University Law School, advised that he first met Mr. LARSON in Chicago, Illinois in 1937, at which time he offered him a position as an instructor

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in the Cornell University Law School for a period of one year. At this time, this offer was declined by Mr. LARSON in order to accept a position of longer duration at the University of Tennessee.

[redacted] advised that he again met Mr. LARSON in Washington, D. C. while he was employed for the Office of Price Administration and was subsequently associated with him in the Foreign Economics Administration. He advised that at the completion of his work and the work of Mr. LARSON in this Bureau in 1945, he offered the applicant a position as Associate Professor of Law at the Cornell University Law School. He described Mr. LARSON as an able, competent and scholarly student of law and added that he had great admiration for the applicant's ability and character and would have no hesitation in recommending him for an administrative position with the government. He advised that Mr. LARSON went to England in the spring of 1952, at which time he studied the English system comparable to the American system of Workmen's Compensation and utilized this study to further his understanding in the field of Workmen's Compensation. He advised that Mr. LARSON had given a lecture at the American Association of Law School on his findings in England. He further stated that the applicant was awarded a Fulbright grant for research at the University of London during his sabbatic leave from June until September 1952.

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[redacted] also advised that the applicant had collaborated [redacted] writing a book on Corporations for Use in Law Schools. He further advised that Mr. LARSON was an excellent talker and during the period he was a Professor Law at Cornell University, he had been awarded the Gleason Lectureship, which lectureship was awarded to the applicant for his knowledge and ability in the field of Workmen's Compensation Law.

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[redacted] Cornell University, advised he had known the applicant since he came to Cornell in 1945. He believed him to be an able scholar and an extremely competent individual in the field of law. He also advised that the applicant was an individual of excellent character and personality and that he had no question of his administrative ability. [redacted] further advised that Mr. LARSON had enjoyed an excellent reputation at Cornell University and that he and other members of the Cornell

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University Administrative Staff were sorry to see him leave, but considered him an excellent choice for a position as Dean of a Law School. [redacted] felt that he would have no hesitation in recommending Mr. LARSON for an administrative position of authority with the Federal Government. He added that Mr. LARSON was a thoroughly loyal American and was considered an outstanding member of the faculty group at Cornell University.

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[redacted] New York State Law Revision Commission, advised that he was personally acquainted with the applicant and his wife, having known them socially and professionally since 1945. [redacted] advised that Mr. LARSON had acted as a Research Consultant for the New York State Law Revision Commission on three studies in connection with Research on Corporation. He described Mr. LARSON as a fast, competent and complete worker in professional matters and stated that he was considered an outstanding and extremely able scholar among the faculty members at the Cornell University Law School. He also stated that Mr. LARSON was a well qualified speaker and a very loyal citizen. He added that there was no question in his mind concerning his associates or habits. [redacted] further stated that he believed Mr. LARSON would be an able administrator and added that he had been highly successful in every field of endeavor which he had undertaken while at Cornell University. He mentioned the book that Mr. LARSON had written on Workmen's Compensation, which was published in 1952 and which was already being considered a classic in this field.

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#### Acquaintances

[redacted] Cornell University Law School, stated that he believed Mr. LARSON was well qualified for an administrative position with the government. He stated that he was an outstanding authority on Workmen's Compensation and had developed an interest in this field through his regularly assigned work on the Law School Staff. He also advised that the applicant was considered an able scholar and stated that he would recommend him for character, loyalty, reputation and associates,

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adding that he believed that Mr. LARSON was an outstanding individual in the field of Law.

[redacted] Cornell University Law School, advised that the applicant had made an excellent record at Cornell University and was considered a very able individual. He described him as an outstanding student of law and believed that his work on Workmen's Compensation was one of the outstanding works in this field. He stated that it was his opinion that Mr. LARSON would make a devoted public servant inasmuch as he was extremely loyal, competent and reliable and had always shown himself to be an individual of better than average ability. [redacted] stated that he knew of nothing unfavorable concerning the applicant and would recommend him for an administrative position with the government.

Cornell University

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[redacted] Tompkins County Trust Company, stated that he knew the applicant as a customer at his bank and considered him a reliable, respectable and loyal member of the community. He advised that he knew the applicant enjoyed an excellent reputation in Ithaca, New York and among the members of the Cornell University faculty.

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[redacted] and a fellow member of the applicant, at the Savage Club, described Mr. LARSON as a very personable, competent individual. He advised that the applicant enjoyed a good reputation among members of the Savage Club and among members of the Legal Fraternity in Ithaca, New York. [redacted] stated that the Savage Club was composed of male individuals who were talented in some field of entertainment. He described Mr. LARSON as a competent musician and advised that he and members of his family were highly regarded for their talent in the field of entertainment.

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[redacted] Tompkins County Bar Association, advised that he was professionally acquainted with Mr. LARSON and considered him a competent and loyal individual. He added that the applicant enjoyed an excellent reputation among members of the Tompkins

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County Bar Association and felt that he could recommend him for a position with the Federal Government on the basis of his acquaintanceship.

Neighbors

[redacted] advised that she and her husband were social acquaintances of the applicant. She stated that both Mr. LARSON and members of his family enjoyed an excellent reputation in Ithaca, New York and were well-regarded as outstanding members of the Cornell University Faculty Group. She described him as a loyal and competent individual and felt that on the basis of her acquaintanceship with the applicant, she could recommend him for work with the Government.

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[redacted] School of Industrial and Labor Relations, Cornell University, advised that he was a neighbor of the applicant and also knew him as a fellow member of the Cornell University faculty. [redacted] stated that he considered Mr. LARSON a competent individual and advised that he would have no question of Mr. LARSON's loyalty, reputation, character or associates.

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[redacted] an employee of the United States Department of Agriculture and former neighbor of the applicant, stated that he considered the LARSONS respectable and loyal members of the community. [redacted] advised that he did not feel he knew the applicant well enough to make an pertinent comments relative to his character, or associates.

Credit and Criminal

[redacted] Ithaca Credit Bureau, 302 East State Street, advised that the applicant had a favorable credit rating. The applicant's wife also had a favorable credit rating. She advised that there was no record on other members of the applicant's family.

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The files of the Ithaca Police Department contained no record on the applicant or members of his family.

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REPORT MADE AT MILWAUKEE	DATE WHEN MADE 2-16-54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2-9,10,11,12, 15,16-54	REPORT MADE BY [Redacted]	lk b6
TITLE "CHANGED" ARTHUR LARSON AKA, Lewis Arthur Larson			CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY	b7C

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

LARSON practiced law with Milwaukee law firm from 9-35 to 7-39, and resided with his wife in Milwaukee. Members of the law firm consider him to be loyal, of good character and associates, extremely intelligent, with an unusual scholastic background and recommend him highly for position in Government service. LARSON was admitted to the Wisconsin Bar on October 3, 1936, under the name of LEWIS ARTHUR LARSON and admitted to practice before Federal Courts October 30, 1936. No record of LARSON'S marriage, birth of his children, or connection with any organizations other than law could be located in Milwaukee. Satisfactory credit rating at Milwaukee. No criminal record located.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau teletype to Minneapolis, Milwaukee, and St. Louis dated February 8, 1954.  
Milwaukee teletype to New York City dated February 11, 1954.  
Milwaukee teletype to Bureau, Minneapolis, Knoxville, St. Louis, Albany, New York, Pittsburgh, Indianapolis, and Washington Field Office dated February 10, 1954.

DETAILS:

The title is being changed to include the name of LEWIS ARTHUR LARSON under which Appointee was admitted to the Wisconsin Bar Association.

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BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

A search of the Bureau of Vital Statistics records, Milwaukee County Court House, failed to disclose a record of LARSON'S marriage, birth of his children, or wife.

EMPLOYMENT

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

[redacted] the Quarles, Spence & Quarles law firm, 828 North Broadway, Milwaukee, advised that LARSON was associated with that firm as an attorney from September, 1935, to July, 1939. She stated that LARSON was successful as an attorney, well liked by his associates, and that she had no reason to doubt his loyalty and character. She further stated that she knew of no associates of LARSON outside the firm and had no knowledge of his personal history or family background. She informed that LARSON had resided in an apartment house, address unknown, with his wife and that they had been interested in dramatics, in fact, had both participated in at least one dramatic production at the Pabst Theater in Milwaukee.

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[redacted] advised that LARSON was particularly well thought of by [redacted] a member of the firm who had previously recommended LARSON for an appointment as Dean of the Law School at the University of Pittsburgh.

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[redacted] member of the Quarles, Spence & Quarles law firm, advised that he first became acquainted with LARSON in 1932 at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, where LARSON was attending Augustana College. He stated that during that same year, he was on the Selection Committee for the Rhodes Scholarship which convened at Des Moines, Iowa, when LARSON was appointed as a Rhodes scholar to attend Oxford University in England. He advised that LARSON attended Oxford from 1932 to 1935 and upon his return to the United States became a member of the Quarles, Spence & Quarles law firm where he was successful as an attorney until 1939 at which time he left the firm for a position to teach law at the University of Tennessee.

[redacted] observed that LARSON was extremely intelligent, with an unusual scholastic background and had recommended him for a position as Dean of the University of Pittsburgh Law School. [redacted] stated that LARSON had written the best

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law briefs he has ever seen while with the firm and subsequently was author of several published works dealing with certain phases of law. He informed that [redacted] of the John Simon Guggenheim Foundation, 551 5th Avenue, New York City, was a long-time acquaintance of LARSON and who could possibly give more information concerning him.

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[redacted] said that the M.A. degree received by LARSON in 1938 was apparently from Oxford University. He stated that he recalled very little family background information concerning LARSON, and had only met his wife on one occasion at which time the LARSONS resided at an apartment house on Capitol Drive in Milwaukee. He advised that he was sorry to see LARSON leave the firm, but had expected him to be successful whatever his endeavor. [redacted] stated that he considered LARSON to be loyal to the United States, of very high character and associates, and would recommend him without reservation for a high position in Government service in view of his capabilities.

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[redacted] of the law firm of Quarles, Spence & Quarles, advised that he was slightly acquainted with LARSON during the latter's association with the firm, and hated to see him leave the firm. He stated that LARSON was a good attorney, intelligent, and was more adept with the administrative work than as a courtroom attorney. [redacted] said that LARSON'S work consisted of cases involving workman's compensation, personal injury, and tax matters. He further stated that he had no reason to question LARSON'S loyalty, character, or associates and would recommend him for a high position with the Government.

[redacted] concluded by stating that he knows very little of LARSON'S family history and personal background, and knew of no organizations to which LARSON belonged with the exception of the Wisconsin State Bar Association.

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[redacted] Quarles, Spence & Quarles law firm, advised that he knew the Appointee as ARTHUR LARSON while the latter was associated with the firm during several years of the latter part of the 1930's. He stated that LARSON was from Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and believed that LARSON'S father and one or two brothers, names unknown, were also attorneys in that City. He said that LARSON was an excellent student, and wrote outstanding law briefs and on at least two occasions

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wrote articles which appeared in the Wisconsin Law Review, concerning matters of law, none of which would indicate disloyalty. [redacted] advised that he has no reason to doubt LARSON'S loyalty and considers him to be of high character and associates. He stated that LARSON was well liked as an associate and was a hard worker, more of the studious type, could express himself well, was outspoken, though not radical. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] stated that he had never discussed politics with LARSON and that their conversations were confined to subjects of law. He stated that LARSON belonged to no organizations that he knew of other than the Wisconsin Bar Association. He further advised that he has met LARSON'S wife on occasion and observed that she is a very fine person. He said it was his understanding that she was an American actress in London at the time she met and married LARSON. He could give no further information concerning Mrs. LARSON and added that he believes the LARSONS now have four children.

[redacted] said that LARSON had been a Rhodes scholar and that when he left the firm he went to teach at the University of Tennessee, then to Cornell University, and is presently at the University of Pittsburgh as Dean of the Law School. [redacted]

[redacted] stated that he would recommend LARSON for any important position in the Government because he believes him to be a well-rounded individual and very capable. He also advised that JOSEPH V. QUARLES, co-founder of the firm, is deceased. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] Milwaukee Bar Association, advised that ARTHUR LARSON was on record as an attorney at 828 North Broadway, Milwaukee, but that he was never a member and could give no further information.

#### NEIGHBORHOOD

##### At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

[redacted] Annason Apartments, 2121 East Capitol Drive, advised that his only records from 1938 to the present do not contain the name of LEWIS ARTHUR LARSON. He telephonically contacted two longtime residents of the apartment house who could not recall LARSON. b6 b7C b7D

The Milwaukee City Directories from 1936 to 1938 reflect that L. ARTHUR LARSON resided at the Annason Apartments, 2121 East Capitol Drive, in Apartment 203.

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The Knoxville Office advised that LARSON had resided at 4433 North Morris Blvd., Milwaukee, from 1935 to 1939. However, [redacted] stated that he is certain no one by the name of LARSON has ever resided at that address.

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#### ADMITTANCE TO THE BAR

##### At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

[redacted] Eastern District of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, advised that ARTHUR LARSON was admitted to practice before Federal Courts on October 30, 1936.

##### At Madison, Wisconsin

[redacted] Wisconsin Supreme Court, State Capitol, exhibited the ledger "Roll of Attorney" which reflects the name LEWIS ARTHUR LARSON, residence Milwaukee, as being admitted to the Wisconsin Bar on October 3, 1936, as a result of his bar examination.

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[redacted] also made available a notarized application for examination by the State Bar Commission dated May 19, 1936, executed by LEWIS ARTHUR LARSON, born July 4, 1910, at Sioux Falls, South Dakota. This application was filed May 20, 1936, with [redacted] Board of Bar Commissioners, State of Wisconsin.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

In his application filed with the Wisconsin Bar Association, LARSON stated that he pursued the study of law in the office of Quarles, Spence and Quarles, 828 North Broadway, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, under the Direction of J. V. QUARLES, for about one year, 1935-1936.

He also listed attendance at the University of South Dakota, Vermillion, South Dakota, for one-half year and Oxford University, Oxford, England (Pembroke College) for three years. He claimed to have resided at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, one year prior to his application.

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He listed the following references in his application:

J. H. VOORHEES, Attorney and Treasurer  
American Bar Association  
Bailey Glidden Building  
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

J. V. QUARLES (Now Deceased)  
828 North Broadway  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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There is also attached to the application a certification by J. V. QUARLES dated May 19, 1936, to the effect that LARSON pursued the study of law under his direction for one year.

There is also attached to the application a certification dated April 9, 1936, by the assistant registrar (name not at all legible) of Oxford University to the effect that LEWIS ARTHUR LARSON had studied jurisprudence (including Roman law) in the 1935 term at Oxford University and had been admitted to the degree of Bachelor of Arts on October 17, 1935.

CREDIT AND CRIMINAL

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

SE [redacted] could locate no record at the Milwaukee Police Department identifiable with LARSON and ascertained that LARSON has a satisfactory credit rating at the Milwaukee Credit Bureau.

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 2/16/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/12, 15/54	REPORT MADE BY [redacted]	b6
TITLE ARTHUR LARSON, aka: Lewis Arthur Larson		CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY		b7C

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Association of Practicing Law Institute verified. Acquaintance recommends as to character, reputation, loyalty and ability. [redacted] advised he is not acquainted well enough to comment concerning appointee.

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REFERENCE: Bureau teletype to New York, 2/8/54.

DETAILS:

The current issue of "Who's Who in America" lists the appointee as having been associated with Practicing Law Institute and a member of the American Law Institute.

Practicing Law Institute  
20 Vesey Street  
New York City, New York

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[redacted] advised the appointee gave a series of lectures in New York during 1947 while appointee was teaching at Cornell Law School. [redacted] stated he has been acquainted with the appointee since 1946 and considered him to be an individual of excellent character

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DETAILS

The investigation at Sioux Falls and Vermillion, South Dakota, was conducted by SA [redacted]

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Records of the Minnehaha County Bureau of Vital Statistics, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, reflect that LEWIS ARTHUR LARSON was born at Sioux Falls on July 4, 1910, to LEWIS and ANNA BERTHA LARSON.

Education

[redacted] Augustana College, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, made available the school record of LARSON to SA [redacted] b6 [redacted] which reflected that he enrolled in the School of Arts on September 12, 1927. He continued in school at Augustana through regular school years until he graduated from that college on June 4, 19b7D with a BA degree. These records further reflect that his guardian was listed as Judge LEWIS LARSON, Sioux Falls, South Dakota. LARSON majored in English and speech and he maintained an "A minus" average.

[redacted] Augustana College, advised that LARSON, as well as his [redacted] and his sister MARGUERITE, attended and received degrees from Augustana College. He stated that ARTHUR was one of the most outstanding students who ever attended this school, in that his grades were far above average. b6 He further stated that LARSON possessed great athletic as well as other abilities. [redacted] stated ARTHUR was an outstanding student in debate. He further noted that LARSON is very intelligent, having a keen analytical mind and is one who has the ability to readily comprehend a complex problem. According to [redacted] ARTHUR LARSON was speaker at the commencement exercises at Augustana College in June, 1953, at which time he was awarded an honorary degree of Doctor of Law.

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[redacted] also noted that LARSON has an extremely good personality and is well liked, as well as one who is highly respected by all who know him. [redacted] indicated that LARSON has a considerable amount of self-confidence and handles himself well in any situation. [redacted] stated that LARSON is a man of excellent morals, habits and reputation and is one whose loyalty and associates are beyond reproach.

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[redacted] noted that ARTHUR's father, LEWIS LARSON, was a Juvenile Court Judge in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, until his death, which occurred about 1951. He stated Judge LARSON and his wife, ANNA, had an outstanding reputation in the community and were highly respected citizens. He also noted that LARSON's brothers and his sister had excellent reputations in college and are persons who are well respected in the community.

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[redacted] and [redacted] Augustana College, advised that they are well acquainted with LARSON and his entire family. Both made favorable comments regarding LARSON's character, ability and loyalty, and both of these individuals recommended LARSON for a position of trust and responsibility.

The records of the Augustana College Alumni Association reflect that the following individuals are immediate members of LARSON's family:

MARGUERITE L. HOUGE, aka Mrs. MARCUS HOUGE  
1637 Locus Avenue  
Long Beach, California - sister

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[redacted] University of South Dakota, Vermillion, South Dakota, advised her records reflect LEWIS ARTHUR LARSON enrolled in the School of Law at that university on September 15, 1931, and that he withdrew from this school on January 4, 1932, after completing one-half year of law study. His grades averaged "B plus" and there is no record of any disciplinary action taken against him.

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[redacted] and [redacted] University of South Dakota, who are the only persons at the university who were employed there in 1931, advised that they did not recall LARSON.

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Acquaintance

By teletype dated February 15, 1954, the Milwaukee Office requested that Minneapolis interview Mr. J. H. VOORHES, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, who was listed as a reference by LARSON when he applied for admission to the State Bar Association in Wisconsin in 1937. Inquiry at the office of [redacted]

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[redacted] revealed that J. H. VOORHES died about ten years ago. [redacted] stated, however, that he is acquainted with ARTHUR LARSON and his entire family. He stated that LARSON's father LEWIS LARSON was a County Judge in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, until his death. He noted that ARTHUR LARSON and his entire family are outstanding citizens and that LARSON is highly intelligent, known for his capability to do a good job. He stated that LARSON is a man whose loyalty and devotion to his country was beyond question.

Credit

[redacted] Credit Bureau, Vermillion, South Dakota, advised her records contain no information on LARSON or his [redacted]

[redacted] Credit Bureau, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, advised her records reflect Judge LEWIS LARSON and his wife, ANNA B. LARSON, had no credit extended to them since 1942. At this time they were listed as having a satisfactory credit standing; however, her records further note that they were listed as slow in paying three credit obligations in 1937. [redacted] stated that her records contain no information on LEWIS ARTHUR LARSON or any other member of his family, with the exception of [redacted]

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Criminal

Records of the Clay County Sheriff's Office, Vermillion, South Dakota, and the records of the Vermillion Police Department contain no information on ARTHUR LARSON or his [redacted]

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The records of the Clay County Clerk of Court's Office likewise contain no information on either of the two above individuals.

The records of the Sioux Falls, South Dakota Police Department and the Minnehaha County Sheriff's Office contain no information on LEWIS ARTHUR LARSON or any other individual who could be identified with the LARSON family.

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TITLE ARTHUR LARSON, aka Lewis Arthur Larson		CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY	b7C

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

LARSON's birth 7/4/10, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, verified. Officials, Augustana College, Sioux Falls, advised LARSON attended that school from 9/12/27 to 6/4/31, receiving BA degree on latter date; that LARSON received honorary LLD 1953. Registrar, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, advised LARSON attended university from 9/15/31 to 1/4/32, no degree granted. Registrar and instructors, Augustana College, advised LARSON and immediate family known to them as loyal Americans of good character and reputation. In addition, they advised ARTHUR LARSON is one of the most outstanding men Augustana has produced; is a man of excellent personality as well as one who possessed considerable self-confidence. J. H. VOORHES, reference for LARSON at time of application for Wisconsin Bar Association, now deceased. Acquaintance of VOORHES and LARSON commented favorably on LARSON and family. Records, Sioux Falls Credit Bureau, reflect satisfactory rating for LARSON's father in 1943; that father slow with three credit obligations in 1937. Also, [Redacted] had satisfactory credit rating, with exception of dentist bill, which was turned over to collection agency in 1951. Credit negative on LARSON and other members of family. Criminal negative.

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**REFERENCES**

Bureau teletype to Minneapolis and other offices dated 2/8/54. Milwaukee teletype to Director and other offices dated 2/15/54. Minneapolis teletype to Baltimore and other offices dated 2/16/54.

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TITLE		CHARACTER OF CASE	
ARTHUR LARSON		SPECIAL INQUIRY	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Appointee elected to American Law Institute membership, 3/24/50, and is member in good standing.

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REFERENCE: Bureau teletype dated 2/15/54.

DETAILS: At Philadelphia, Pa.

American Law Institute  
133 South 36th Street

advised that ARTHUR LARSON, 4601 Bayard Street, Pittsburgh, Pa., was elected to membership in the American Law Institute, March 24, 1950, and is a member in good standing.

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and reputation. [redacted] further stated he considered the appointee to be a loyal American and that he would highly recommend him as an able individual for a position of trust and confidence.

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[redacted] Guggenheim Institute, 551 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York advised that he is not well enough acquainted with the appointee to comment upon his character, reputation and loyalty.

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TITLE ARTHUR LARSON aka Lewis Arthur Larson		CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY	

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Records FRC, GSA, St. Louis, Mo., indicate LEWIS ARTHUR LARSON, employed by O. P. A. on 8-29-41. Terminated by reason of transfer to FEA on 1-2-45. Employed by F. E. A. on 1-3-45. Terminated on 10-31-45 by reason of resignation in order to enter private industry. Born 7-4-10 at Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

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REFERENCE: Bureau teletype dated 2-8-54.  
Milwaukee teletype dated 2-15-54.

DETAILS: AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

A review of the personnel records, Federal Records Center, General Services Administration, for LEWIS ARTHUR LARSON indicates that he was employed on August 29, 1941 as a Principal Attorney with the Office of Price Administration at Washington, D. C. This employment was terminated as a Division Counsel Attorney on January 2, 1945 by reason of transfer to the Foreign Economic Administration. He was employed by the Foreign Economic Administration as a Section Chief on January 3, 1945 at Washington, D. C. This employment was terminated on October 31, 1945 as a Section Chief by reason of resignation in order to enter private industry.

The date and place of birth were shown as July 4, 1910 at Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

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ARTHUR LARSON, SI. REWFOTEL FEB. TWENTYTHREE. [REDACTED]

U. OF CG LAW SCHOOL, ADVISED WORKED UNDER LARSON FORTYTWO AND FORTYTHREE<sup>b6</sup>  
IN OPA WASH., D. C. [REDACTED] CONSIDERS LARSON-S ABILITY AND REPUTATION EX-<sup>b7C</sup>  
CELLENT, CHARACTER AND ASSOCIATES OF HIGHEST TYPE, AND LOYALTY UNQUESTI<sup>b7D</sup>

[REDACTED] U. OF CG LAW SCHOOL, WHO HAS KNOWN LARSON CASUALLY  
SINCE NINETEEN THIRTYTWO, STATED CHARACTER, ASSOCIATES, REPUTATION,  
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SISTER, MARGUERITE CONSTANCE LARSON HOGUE BORN JUNE TWENTYTHREE,

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ARTHUR LARSON, AKA, SI. REBUTEL PITTSBURGH FEBRUARY TWENTYTHREE, LAST.

RECORDS CREDIT BUREAU, INC., PITTSBURGH, REFLECT CREDIT REPORT JUNE TWENTYTHREE, NINETEEN FIFTYTHREE, BY CREDIT BUREAU OF ITHACA, NEW YORK, WHICH SETS FORTH "NUMBER FORTYSEVEN - PUBLIC UTILITY- DECEMBER NINETEEN, NINETEEN FIFTYONE REPORTED GOING TO PUT IN MECHANICS LIEN-CHECKED THIS DATE - IN JUDGEMENT FORM EIGHTFOUR DOLLARS AND THIRTEEN CENTS - RENEWED LAST FEBRUARY." NO OTHER DETAILS AVAILABLE. ALBANY VERIFY AND CONDUCT NECESSARY INVESTIGATION BUDED PAST. AMENDED PAGE THREE OF PITTSBURGH REPORT, FEBRUARY FIFTEEN LAST, WILL FOLLOW TO BUREAU.

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REPORT MADE AT WASHINGTON, D.C.	DATE WHEN MADE 2/25/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 22, 23, 24/54	REPORT MADE BY [redacted] jvb
TITLE ARTHUR LARSON aka, Lewis Arthur Larson	CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY		b6 b7C

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

No employment record located at Department of State. Former OPA associate, [redacted] recommended LARSON. Two other OPA associates recalled LARSON only vaguely. CSC records favorable. No record HCUA or OPA, Compliance Division. No additional information in files of State Security. Credit and criminal checks negative for LARSON and his [redacted]

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REFERENCE: Bureau Teletype February 8, 1954.  
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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

## EMPLOYMENT

and [redacted]  
[redacted] Department of State, interviewed by SA [redacted]  
[redacted] stated that there is no record of LARSON as present or past employee in the files of their office.

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[redacted] interviewed by SA [redacted]  
[redacted] informed that she has known ARTHUR LARSON since 1937 when she was a law student in the University of Tennessee and he was one of her professors. She said that she studied under him for approximately one year and one half and that in 1941, he was responsible for her coming to Washington. She explained that LARSON helped her obtain a position with the Office of Price Administration where he was her supervisor in the Lumber Section. She said that LARSON was Branch Counsel and that she worked under his supervision until approximately 1944. She said that since 1944 she has lost contact with him and knows nothing of his employments or personal life since that date.

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[redacted] commented that during the period of her contacts with him, she found him to be very pleasant to work with, extremely able in the field of law and highly regarded by all his associates. She said that he was honest in his opinions, fair minded, intelligent and a clear thinker. [redacted] related that LARSON is a Rhodes Scholar and that based on her association with him, she would highly recommend him for a position of trust and confidence with the government. She added that she had no reason to question his loyalty to his country or his associates. [redacted] informed that [redacted] was LARSON's [redacted] in the Office of Price Administration.

[redacted] stated that she worked with LARSON in the Lumber Branch of the Office of Price Administration but did not know him well and only vaguely recalls him. [redacted] suggested that

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[redacted] presently a professor at the University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, be interviewed inasmuch as he worked closely with LARSON in the Office of Price Administration. [redacted]

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[redacted] added that [redacted] also worked with LARSON.

[redacted] stated that he was [redacted] of the Lumber and Building Materials Branch of the Lumber Division of the Office of Price Administration, during the last war and worked with LARSON. [redacted] said that he was not well acquainted with him and only vaguely recalls him and therefore could not comment regarding his character, loyalty, or associates.

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[redacted] added that he wished to state, however, that he knows of nothing derogatory concerning LARSON.

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Records of the Investigations Division, Civil Service Commission, reflect that ARTHUR LARSON, 1440 Duke Street, Alexandria, Virginia, born July 4, 1910, in South Dakota, was investigated in December of 1941, for the position of Principal Attorney, Office of Emergency Management. A report of this investigation reflects that a personal interview was conducted with LARSON at which time he exhibited a birth certificate which reflected his name as LEWIS ARTHUR LARSON, born July 4, 1910, at Sioux Falls, South Dakota. The files contained a letter dated December 12, 1941, from the Office of Emergency Management to the Office of Price Administration stating that LEWIS ARTHUR LARSON, Principal Attorney, was the subject of a completed investigation and that nothing derogatory was uncovered in the investigation.

The records of the Investigations Division, Civil Service Commission, contained another file for one LEWIS ARTHUR LARSON, 4300 Columbia Pike, Arlington, Virginia, born July 4, 1910, at South Dakota. The files reflect that a record check and inquiry was conducted October, 1944, for the position of Assistant to General Counsel, Foreign Economic Administration. The file contains a memorandum from the Civil Service Commission dated May 24, 1945, to the Foreign Economic Administration stating "as a result of investigation, the person named below has been rated eligible on suitability."

There is no record of LARSON in the files of the House Committee on Un-American Activities checked by SE [redacted]  
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SE [redacted] was advised that there is no record of LARSON in the files of the Office of Price Administration, Compliance Division.

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SA [redacted] was advised that the files of the Security Division, U.S. State Department reflect that a name check was conducted of LARSON in 1951 and that nothing derogatory was noted.

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There is no record of LARSON or his [REDACTED] in the files of the Metropolitan Police Department, checked by SE [REDACTED] or the U.S. Park Police checked by SA [REDACTED]

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SE [REDACTED] was advised that there is no record on LARSON or his brother in the files of the D. C. Credit Bureau.

There is no record of [REDACTED] in the files of the Montgomery County Police Department, Rockville, Maryland, checked by SE [REDACTED]

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There is no record of LARSON in the files of the Alexandria, Virginia, Police Department, checked by SE [REDACTED]

SE [REDACTED] was advised that there was no record of LARSON in the files of the Retail Merchants Credit Association, Alexandria, Virginia.

There is no record of LARSON in the files of the Arlington, Virginia, Police Department, checked by SE [REDACTED]

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REPORT MADE AT CHICAGO	DATE WHEN MADE 2/25/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/24/54	REPORT MADE BY VMK:SVW
TITLE ARTHUR LARSON, aka. Lewis Arthur Larson	CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY		

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

[redacted] stated LARSON man of excellent ability and reputation and unquestioned character, associates and loyalty. [redacted] stated LARSON person of excellent ability and reputation and of good character and associates. [redacted] stated he had no reason to question loyalty of LARSON.

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REFERENCE: WFO Teletype to Bureau dated 2/23/54.  
Bureau Teletype to Chicago dated 2/24/54.

**DETAILS:**

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[redacted] University of Chicago Law School, stated that [redacted] LARSON during 1942 and half of 1943 during which time LARSON was Chief Counsel for the Lumber Branch of the Office of Price Administration in Washington, D.C. He continued that he was well acquainted with LARSON and his family during this period and that he had maintained some contact with them up to the present time.

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[redacted] stated that he considered LARSON a man of exceptional ability who was sincere and just in his dealings. He stated that LARSON did an excellent job in the Office of Price Administration and that his reputation there was excellent. He continued that during this period LARSON had two major back operations and that as a result he was somewhat disabled but added that this condition has in no way affected his work since that time.

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He continued that he considers LARSON to be a man of excellent character and associates and of unquestioned loyalty to the United States. He continued that in his opinion LARSON is well qualified for a position of trust and that he had the greatest confidence in him. He stated that he would recommend LARSON for any position of trust.

[redacted] concluded that [redacted] another member of the faculty of the University of Chicago Law School, and LARSON were both Rhodes Scholars in England at about the same period.

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[redacted] University of Chicago Law School, stated that he was a Rhodes Scholar during 1927 and that LARSON was a Rhodes Scholar in 1932 and that he was not acquainted with him in England. He stated, however, that he did meet LARSON in 1932 and since that time has had occasional contact with him and that they have many mutual acquaintances.

He continued that LARSON'S professional reputation is of the very highest and that his ability is outstanding. He continued that he considers LARSON to be a man of excellent character and associates and that he has never had any occasion to question his loyalty and has never heard anything unfavorable concerning him. He continued that apparently LARSON'S back injury has in no way affected his work.

[redacted] stated in his opinion LARSON is well qualified for a position of trust and responsibility and that he would recommend him for such a responsibility.

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[REDACTED] ADVISED COMMENTS REFERRED TO [REDACTED] LIEN. COUNTY

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REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 2/26/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/18, 19, 26/54	REPORT MADE BY SE [REDACTED] jg
TITLE ARTHUR LARSON aka, Lewis Arthur Larson		CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY	

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

No criminal record identifiable with applicant's sister, MARGUERITE CONSTANCE LARSON HOGUE, could be located at Long Beach or Los Angeles. She has satisfactory credit rating at Long Beach, California.

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REFERENCES: Minneapolis Teletype to Los Angeles dated 2/16/54; Butel to Los Angeles dated 2/24/54; Minneapolis Teletype to Los Angeles dated 2/25/54; Los Angeles Teletype to Bureau dated 2/26/54.

DETAILS: Investigation at Long Beach was conducted by SA [REDACTED] Los Angeles Retail Merchants Credit Association by SE [REDACTED] Los Angeles Sheriff's Office and Police Department by SE [REDACTED] Los Angeles Traffic Bureau by SE [REDACTED]

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CREDIT AND CRIMINAL

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Records of the Long Beach Credit Association reflect a satisfactory credit report dated January 12, 1952, for applicant's sister who is listed as MARGARITE and MARGUERITE C. HOGUE. This report further reflects she has resided at 1637 Locust, Long Beach, since January, 1951. Prior addresses listed for her are 2459 Torrence Blvd., Long Beach, for six years, 1634 Newton, N.W., Washington D.C., and 831 S. Prairie, Sioux Falls, S. Dakota.

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No record identifiable with her could be located at  
the Los Angeles Sheriff's Office, Los Angeles Police Department,  
or the Los Angeles Traffic Bureau, and [redacted]  
Long Beach Police Department, advised he had no record for  
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TITLE ARTHUR LARSON aka, Lewis Arthur Larson		CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY	

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Satisfactory credit record located for applicant's sister, MARGARET LARSON HOGUE, at Long Beach, California. Records of [redacted]

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REFERENCE:

Minneapolis Teletype to Los Angeles dated 2/16/54.

DETAILS:

Investigation at Long Beach was conducted by SA [redacted] Los Angeles Retail Merchants Credit Association b6  
by SE [redacted] Los Angeles Sheriff's Office and Police [redacted] b7C  
Department by SE [redacted] Los Angeles Traffic Bureau b7C  
by SE [redacted]

CREDIT

Records of the Long Beach Credit Association reflect a report dated January 12, 1952, which indicates a satisfactory credit record for applicant's sister, MARGARET HOGUE. She has no record at the Los Angeles Retail Merchants Credit Association.

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No record identifiable with applicant's sister, MARGARET LARSON HOGUE, could be located at the Los Angeles Sheriff's Office, or the Los Angeles Traffic Bureau, and [redacted] Long Beach Police Department, advised he has no record for her.

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March 1, 1954

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BY COURIER SERVICE

The Honorable  
The Secretary of Labor  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

In accordance with the request contained in your letter dated February 5, 1954, there is attached a summary reflecting the results of the inquiries made by this Bureau concerning Lewis Arthur Larson.

I wish to advise that the investigation of Mr. Larson covered inquiries as to his character, loyalty, reputation and ability, but no inquiries were made as to the sources of his income.

Sincerely yours,

Joe Edgar Hoover

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BY COURIER SERVICE

Honorable Sherman Adams  
The Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Adams:

By letter dated February 5, 1954,  
Honorable James P. Mitchell requested an investigation of Lewis Arthur Larson. There is attached a summary reflecting the results of the investigation made by this Bureau concerning Mr. Larson a copy of which has been furnished to Mr. Mitchell.

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**The Attorney General**

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Director, FBI

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SPECIAL INQUIRY

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Wisconsin, who had been well acquainted with the appointee since 1932, advised that he, [redacted] was on the selection committee for the Rhodes Scholarship when Larson was appointed a Rhodes scholar to attend Oxford University in England.

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[redacted] indicated that Larson attended Oxford University from 1932 to 1935. [redacted] commented that the appointee

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had written the best law briefs he has ever seen while employed by his firm and subsequently was author of several published works dealing with certain phases of law. He described the appointee as extremely intelligent with an unusual scholastic background.

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Records examined during the investigation reflected that the appointee attended Oxford University, Oxford, England, from 1932 to 1935 when he received a degree of Bachelor of Arts in jurisprudence on October 17, 1935. It was also reflected that he received an M.A. degree in jurisprudence from Oxford University in 1938.

#### Employment

September, 1935 - July, 1939

Attorney, Quarles, Spence and Quarles, 828 North Broadway, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

September, 1939 -  
September, 1941

Assistant Professor of Law, University of Tennessee College of Law, Knoxville, Tennessee.

August 29, 1941 -  
January 2, 1945

Principal Attorney and Division Counsel Attorney, Office of Price Administration, Washington, D. C.

January 3, 1945 -  
October 31, 1945

Section chief, Foreign Economic Administration, Washington, D. C.

November 1, 1945 -  
April 30, 1948

Associate Professor of Law, Cornell University Law School, Ithaca, New York.

April 30, 1948 -  
July 1, 1953

Professor of Law, Cornell  
University Law School,  
Ithaca, New York.

July, 1953 - present

Dean of the law school,  
University of Pittsburgh,  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

[redacted] New York State Law Revision  
Commission, Ithaca, New York, advised that the appointee had  
acted as a research consultant for the New York State Law  
Revision Commission on three studies in connection with re-  
search on corporations. He described the appointee as a  
fast, competent and thorough worker in professional matters  
and stated that he considered him an outstanding and extremely  
able scholar.

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The 1952-1953 issue of "Who's Who in America" lists  
the appointee as being associated with the Practicing Law  
Institute.

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Practicing Law Institute, New York City, advised that the  
appointee gave a series of lectures in New York during 1947  
while the appointee was teaching at the Cornell Law School.

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#### Legal status

The records of the Wisconsin Supreme Court, Madison,  
Wisconsin, reflected that the appointee was admitted to the  
Wisconsin Bar on October 3, 1936. The records of the clerk  
of court, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Wisconsin,  
reflected that the appointee was admitted to practice before  
Federal courts on October 30, 1936.

The records of the American Law Institute, Philadelphia,  
Pennsylvania, reflected that the appointee was elected to  
membership on March 24, 1950, and is a member in good standing.

#### Marital status

The appointee was married [redacted]  
on July 30, 1935. They have two minor children and reside  
at the King Edward Apartments, 4601 Bayard Street, Pittsburgh,  
Pennsylvania.

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II. RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

Interviews

During the investigation, the following teachers, employers, business associates, acquaintances and neighbors of the appointee were interviewed and all favorably commented regarding his character, reputation, associates and loyalty to the United States:

[REDACTED] Indiana University Night  
Law School, Indianapolis, Indiana.

[REDACTED] Augustana  
College, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

[REDACTED] Augustana  
College, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

[REDACTED] Quarles, Spence and  
Quarles, 828 North Broadway, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

[REDACTED] Quarles, Spence and  
Quarles, 828 North Broadway, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

[REDACTED] member, Quarles, Spence and Quarles,  
828 North Broadway, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

[REDACTED] University of Tennessee  
College of Law, Knoxville, Tennessee.

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College of Law, Knoxville, Tennessee.

[REDACTED] University of Tennessee  
College of Law, Knoxville, Tennessee.

[REDACTED] University of Pittsburgh  
School of Law, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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[REDACTED] University  
of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

[REDACTED] University of  
Pittsburgh School of Law, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

[REDACTED] King Edward Apartments,  
4601 Bayard Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

[REDACTED] King Edward Apartments,  
4601 Bayard Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

[REDACTED] Practicing  
Law Institute, 20 Vesey Street, New York City.

[REDACTED] University of Chicago  
Law School, Chicago, Illinois.

[REDACTED] University of Chicago  
Law School, Chicago, Illinois.

[REDACTED] Cornell University Law  
School, Ithaca, New York.

[REDACTED] Cornell University,  
Ithaca, New York.

[REDACTED] Cornell  
University Law School, Ithaca, New York.

[REDACTED] Cornell  
University Law School, Ithaca, New York.

[REDACTED] Tompkins County Trust  
Company, Ithaca, New York.

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Labor Relations, Cornell University, Ithaca, New  
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The above persons variously commented that the appointee is a cultured and intelligent person of very great capabilities who has demonstrated that he is an able, skilled and extremely competent person in the field of law. Several commented that he would be a good administrator and had been highly successful in all of his undertakings. All advised that there was no question regarding his character, reputation, associates or loyalty to the United States and recommended him for a position of trust in the Government.

#### Relatives

The appointee's parents, Anna Bertha Larson and Lewis Larson, are deceased. Lewis Larson was a juvenile court judge at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, until his death about 1951. The appointee has one sister, Mrs. Marcus (Marguerite Constance) Hogue, 1637 Locust Avenue, Long Beach, California. He has three brothers [redacted]

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During the investigation, persons who were acquainted with members of the appointee's family furnished favorable comments concerning them.

#### Agency checks

The records of the following agencies were examined during the investigation and contain no additional pertinent information:

United States Civil Service Commission  
House Committee on Un-American Activities  
Security Division, United States Department  
of State  
Compliance Division, Office of Price  
Administration,  
Central files of the Federal Bureau of  
Investigation

During the investigation, the records of credit and law enforcement agencies covering the residences and places of employment of the appointee and members of his family were examined and contained no unfavorable information with the following exceptions:

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The records of the Knoxville Retail Credit Association, Knoxville, Tennessee, reflected that the appointee had established credit with various stores in Knoxville, all of which accounts were maintained satisfactorily. In January, 1941, however, the Knoxville Gas Company placed an unpaid bill for \$1.55 with an attorney for collection and as of November, 1941, the credit association's file indicated this sum had not been paid.

[Redacted] Ithaca Credit Bureau, Ithaca, New York, advised that in February, 1952, a mechanic's lien in the amount of \$84.13 was filed against the appointee in favor of [Redacted] a plumber. [Redacted] advised

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that this lien was a result of a disagreement over a plumbing bill for service to a water softener which was not paid by the appointee due to a disagreement over the expected results. She stated that this lien had since been discharged and that the appointee's credit record was considered favorable.

The records of the County Clerk's Office, Ithaca, New York, reflected that the above mechanic's lien was discharged on December 8, 1953.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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TITLE ARTHUR LARSON		CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY	

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Mechanic's lien filed against applicant's property February, 1952, because of unsatisfied plumbing contractor's bill. Lien discharged December, 1953. Applicant's attorney and credit records reflect bill not paid because of disagreement between applicant and contractor over operation of plumbing equipment.

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REFERENCE: Pittsburgh teletype to Director and Albany dated February 25, 1954.

DETAILS: AT ITHACA, NEW YORK

[redacted] Ithaca Credit Bureau, 302 East State Street, advised that a mechanic's lien was filed in February, 1952, against applicant's property in favor of [redacted] plumbing contractor, but that this lien had since been discharged. [redacted] further advised that this lien was filed by Hull Plumbing Company for an unsatisfied plumbing bill incurred for service to the water softener in applicant's home at 600 Cayuga Heights Road. [redacted] stated that this bill was not paid by the applicant due to a disagreement between him and [redacted] over expected results concerning the operation of the water softener.

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[redacted] stated that the applicant was considered to have a favorable credit rating.

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[redacted] County Clerk's Office, Tompkins County, advised that the records in the County Clerk's Office reflected the lien against applicant's property had been discharged as of December 8, 1953.

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[redacted] Tompkins County Trust Company, which bank held applicant's mortgage, advised that he had acted as Mr. LARSON's attorney in the matter concerning the unpaid service bill. [redacted] advised that Mr. LARSON had refused to pay the plumbing bill since the water softener did not operate as stated by the contractor, the Hull Plumbing Company, and Mr. LARSON considered the contractor responsible for the operation of the water softener due to an implied warranty. [redacted] stated that the unpaid amount was \$84.13 and that this amount had not been paid by the applicant solely because he felt the contractor had not fulfilled his part of the agreement concerning the operation of the water softener.

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[redacted] advised that the applicant had satisfied the lien in December, 1953, when he sold the property at 600 Cayuga Heights Road. [redacted] stated that applicant's credit rating was better than average and he considered him an excellent credit risk.

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December 3, 1956

ARTHUR LARSON  
Born: July 4, 1910  
Sieu Falls, South Dakota

In response to your inquiry, this is to advise that the FBI conducted an applicant-type investigation of the captioned individual during February of 1954. A summary reflecting the results of this investigation was furnished to the White House on March 1, 1954. This investigation reflected no derogatory information concerning the captioned individual. (77-61176)

At the request of the White House, you are referred to the Office of the Honorable Sherman Adams should you desire the detailed results of this investigation.

The foregoing information is furnished to you as a result of your request for an FBI file check and is not to be construed as a clearance or a non-clearance of the individual involved. This information is furnished for your use and should not be disseminated outside of your agency.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT *Acting*

DATE: October 29, 1957

FROM : 

SUBJECT: ARTHUR A. LARSON

SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT  
FORMER DIRECTOR, U. S. INFORMATION AGENCY

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On October 28, 1957, Liaison was advised by  Deputy Director of Security, U. S. Information Agency (USIA), that Mr. Larson was sworn in as a Special Assistant to the President on October 28, 1957. He stated that Abbott Washburn was the Acting Director of USIA until George Allen could take up his duties as Director, which will be sometime around the end of November.

A check with the Reading Room reflects that almost all Bureau mail to USIA is addressed to  Director of Security. In rare instances mail may be addressed to the Director, USIA. For this reason, the Reading Room agreed that it was not necessary to change any of our mailing procedures because of the change in the Directorship of USIA.

ACTION:

Unless you disapprove, mail to USIA will continue as in the past.

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~~ARTHUR H. LARSON~~ (S111-247)

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In response to your name check request, this is to advise that the FBI in February, 1954, conducted an applicant-type investigation concerning the above-captioned individual. A summary of the investigation was furnished to the White House on March 1, 1954. This investigation developed no derogatory information concerning the captioned individual.

At the request of the White House, you are referred to the Office of Major General Wilton B. Persons, the Assistant to the President, should you desire the detailed results of this investigation. (77-61176-42)

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# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Evans *Wharff*

DATE: 9/24/64

FROM : W. V. Cleveland *WVC*

SUBJECT: ARTHUR LARSON  
aka Lewis Arthur Larson  
INFORMATION CONCERNING  
(BUFILE 77-61176)

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The 9/23/64 issue of the New York Herald Tribune contains article describing the formation of the National Council for Civic Responsibility of which Dr. Larson is Chairman. The purpose of the group is to "expose the ultra right." The Director has asked what we know of Dr. Larson.

We investigated Dr. Larson in 1954 at request of Labor Department and he was subsequently appointed Under Secretary of Labor in 1954. Investigation revealed Dr. Larson (now Professor of Law, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, and Director of the World Role in Law Center of that university) was educated at Augustana College; University of South Dakota; and Oxford University in England (Rhodes Scholar). He practiced law for four years and then taught law at the University of Tennessee; Cornell University and University of Pittsburgh. Investigation was generally favorable, except for some minor delinquent credit accounts which were turned over for collection. He was described as a cultured and intelligent person and highly competent in the field of law.

The current issue of "Who's Who" indicates that after serving as Under Secretary of Labor from 1954 to 1956 Larson was Director of the U. S. Information Agency from 1956 to 1957, Special Assistant to President Eisenhower from 1957 to 1958 and since 1962 has been a consultant to State Department.

Bufiles indicate that our contacts with Dr. Larson have apparently been very limited but cordial. In 1957 he commented very favorably concerning the book "The FBI Story." In 1954 he invited the Director by letter to speak before the Student Bar Association of the University of Pittsburgh, which invitation was declined.

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Memorandum to Mr. Evans  
Re: Arthur Larson

The files also indicate that in 1961 he was one of several attorneys who signed a petition to the President instigated by [redacted] of the National Lawyers Guild, which petition allegedly condemned the U. S. for permitting the financing and training of Cuban exiles in the U. S. for an invasion of Cuba, "violating all neutrality laws." In 1960 he was one of a group of several Americans who met with a group of Soviet citizens at Dartmouth College to discuss means of bettering relations between U. S. and Russia. The meeting was sponsored by Norman Cousins, Editor, "Saturday Review" and chairman of the Committee for Wise Nuclear Policies and the American Council on Problems of Peaceful Coexistence.

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The files further indicate that Dr. Larson has been referred to as "the egghead of the Republican Party" and he has written several books concerning international law, the Republican Party, world economics and arms control.

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infiltrated by Communists." Americans for Constitutional Action — "Americans have been running away from their own revolution in order to embrace an armament program saturated with Marxist ideology."

Dr. Larson insisted that there is no connection between "the organization of this Council at this time" and the political campaign. He said that it is a long-range project with an estimated budget of \$500,000 a year contributed by "thoughtful people" and foundations. He added that he did not think President Johnson or former President Eisenhower knew in advance that the group had been organized.

It was noted, however, that arrangements have been made for a series of radio programs "correcting the principal errors being currently propagated." These programs, to run 30 minutes each, will be presented, beginning within the next week, on 100 stations in 12 western and mid-western states. Mr. Larson and his colleagues indicated that these are the areas where rightists have made their greatest inroads.

The Council intends also "to prepare, publish and make available accurate information concerning extremist groups . . ." and "to seek the co-operation of the press, radio and television in exposing these groups." There was considerable vagueness as to how the latter objective is to be reached.

The broadcasts, apparently already on tape, will include first-hand experiences of persons who have suffered as a result of alleged harassing

activities by extremists of the right. Dr. Larson said they will expose "spying, economic and social pressures, stonings and even bombings."

One of those subjected to such attacks was present at the press conference. The Rev. John G. Simmons, a Lutheran minister, recalled how his home was bombed on Feb. 1, 1962, while he was speaking on the rightist threat to democracy at a synagogue in West Los Angeles. His wife had remained at home and escaped serious injury by inches. The case aroused resentment in Washington and across the country at the time, but there were never any arrests.

Mr. Simmons said that subsequent harassment included efforts to break up his church services, anonymous phone calls late at night and "economic pressures." He said that the tactics employed were identical to those described in the Birch Society's "Blue Book."

"By virtue of the saturation tactics used, radical reactionary propaganda is producing an impact even on large numbers of people who, themselves, are in no sense extremists or sympathetic to extremist views," Dr. Larson said. "When day after day they hear distortions of fact and sinister charges against persons or groups, often emanating from organizations with conspicuously respectable sounding names, it is no wonder that the result is confusion on some important public issues, stimulation of latent prejudices and creation of suspicion, fear and mistrust in relation not only to their representatives in government but even in rela-

tion to their neighbors."

At the same time he said that the Council's counter-attack would be conducted on a factual level in which "stridency" would be avoided.

Sponsors of the Council said that they were concerning themselves at this time with extremists of the right because they are extremely active and vocal whereas those of the left are currently quiet and of little threat to American democracy.

Howard E. Kershner, president of the Christian Freedom Foundation, denied last night that his group was connected with the Birch Society in any way. The supposed link was J. Howard Pew, chief financial backer of CFF. Mr. Kershner said that Mr. Pew has given his support but has not been active in the Birch organization recently. He said also that his "Commentary on the News," cited by the Council as far to the right, has been divorced from CFF "for four or five years."

"We don't get into politics," said Mr. Kershner from his home in Wayne, N. J. "I, as an individual, would work for Sen. Goldwater."

There is no link, either, between the Burchites and America's Future, according to its president, R. K. Scott. The alleged connection was through Thomas Anderson and F. Gano Chance, both described by the Council as trustees of America's Future and members of the

National Council of the Birch said that they have given no Society. Mr. Scott admitted that financial support to America's Messrs. Anderson and Chance Future are on his board but insisted that he has "no control" over it is "basically conservative" but what they do otherwise. He "by no means extreme right."



REACTION TO THE RIGHT—Dr. Arthur Larson announces formation of National Council for Civic Responsibility yesterday. The group aims to "expose and correct" activities of radical reactionary organizations like the John Birch Society.

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